Ship Miles of Warren, R.I.

Master: W. Downs
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Friday 1st we sailed with a light breeze from the North, 4 o'clock P.M. we had a fresh breeze from the North East with rain at sunset the land was out of sight & we took in the topgallant sails.

Sunday 2nd commences with a light breeze from the North & cloudy. watch employed fitting boats at 10 o'clock we set the topgallant sails at 4 P.M. Calm & clear.

Monday 3rd commences with calm weather & clear watch employed fitting boats & a few other sundry jobs, 4 sail in sight P.M. a light breeze from the Southeast steering by the wind.

Tuesday 4th commences with a fresh breeze from the Eastward at ½ 7 A.M. we took in the topgallant sails at 12 o'clock the wind increased to a gale & we double reefed the topsails standing on the wind to the southward.

Wednesday 5th commences with a gale from the Eastward, at 4 P.M. we had a little rain & we close reefed the topsails & it blew a real gale.

Thursday 6th gale continued at 4 P.M. it moderated & we made a [illegible] steering East by [illegible] in sight at sunset the wind increased to a gale & we [illegible] the topsails

Ship Mills of Warren Capt

June 1839

Friday 7th gale continued from the westward steering East by North under close fore & main topsails saw one sail lying fore topmast stay sail, at 4 P.M. we had some rain & it moderated a little

Saturday 8th commences with thick weather & rain squals at noon we set single reef topsails, steering East by North with a fresh breeze from the North time drags heavily along, but I still hope for the best

Sunday 9th commences with a fine breeze from the West & W.W steering East N East at 4 P.M the wind increased & we took in the topgallant sails

Monday 10th commences with a gale the Southwest steering East by North under close reef topsails, at 4 P.M the wind increased & we took in the Mizen topsail, & it blew a real gale

Tuesday 11th gale continued from the southward steering East South E saw one sail, 4 P.M the wind m[illegible]ated

Wednesday 12th commences [illegible] a fresh breeze from the South & foggy [illegible] steering East & E at 4 P.M it became squaly & we took in all sail but close reef maintopsail & foresail

Ship Miles of Warren Capt W C Downs

June 1857

Thursday 13th gale continued from the South lying too under close reef main topsail with frequent showers of rain

Friday 14th gale continued with constant rain at noon it moderate some & we set double reef topsails,

Saturday 15th gale continued from the South & West standing to the eastward, at 4 P M we took in the fore & mizen topsails & it blew very heavy & the rain fell in torrents

Sunday 16th at 1 we set the single reef topsails at daylight we set topgallantsails & steered South East with the wind from the Northeast

Monday 17th commences with a fresh breeze from the Northeast steering Southeast at 2 P M we maid all sail

Tuesday 18th commences with a fine bree[illegible] the Northeast steering South[illegible] all hat hands employed betwixt decks, this fair day we have had

Wednesday 19th commence[illegible] from the steerin[illegible] out fo[illegible]

Ship Miles of Warren Capt William C Downs

June 1839

Thursday 20th commences with a light breeze from the Northwest steering East S.E. watch employed fitting boats & rigging 2 sail in sight

Friday 21st commences with a fresh breeze from the westward steering East, we made Florez at daylight watch employed at work on rigging

Saturday 22nd commences with a fresh breeze from the westward steering East we made Fayal & Pique this morning & stood in for fayal,

Sunday 23d commences with a light breeze from the North at 6 A.M. we went on shore with 1 boat to get recruits but could not get them untill Tuesday & we went on board & stood off shore.

Monday 24th at 1 A.M. tacked & stood in shore with a fine breeze from the Northeast spoke ship Pastor of New York

Tuesday 25th commences with a fine breeze from the East at 6 A.M. we went on shore & got our recruits & got them on board at 1 P.M. & at 4 P.M. we went on board & [illegible]ered to the South

[illegible]mmences with a fresh breeze from [illegible] theast steering to the South all hands [illegible] making onion nets

[illegible]s with a fine breeze from [illegible] all employed making onion

[illegible]th a light breeze [illegible] to the westward by the [illegible] hands employed at [illegible] the rigging

Ship Miles of Warren Capt W. C. Downs

June 29th 1839

Saturday 29 commences with a light breeze from the South all employed washing except some stowings, steering to the westward by the wind Spoke Ship Goldhunter of Fallriver I our Capt went on board & there mate came here I staid till 6 o'clock P.M. & then returned

Sunday 30th commences with a light breeze from the East steering South by west this morning we set ~~topsr~~ 2 steeringsails 1 sail in sight

July the first ~~B~~ 1839

Monday first commences with a light breeze from the East steering South, all hands employed at sending down the main & mizen topsails & main topgallant sail & bending new ones, & ~~we~~ we sent down the mainsail & mend it sma & bent it up again

Tuesday 2nd commences with a fresh breeze East ~~North~~ E steering So[illegible] watch employed mak[illegible] & a few other sum[illegible] 1 sail in sight

Wednesday 3d commences wi[illegible] the E & S E ste[illegible] employed be[illegible] & fore sail [illegible] & several other [illegible]

Ship Miles of Warren Capt W C Young

July 1839

Thursday the ~~4th~~ 4th day that our ancestors declared there independance, it commences with a light breeze from the Northeast & fine weather, Steering South, watch employed at work on the rigging. indian meal pudding for dinner this day

Friday 5th commences with a light breeze from the North E Steering South watch employed at work about the Ship an different jobs

Saturday 6th commences with a fresh breeze from the Northeast steering South by West, watch at work on the rigging, at sunset we took in the steering sails

Sunday 7th commences with a fresh breeze from the Northeast steering South by West at daylight we set our steering sails, & at 8 o clock AM we made one of the Capeverde islands at 2 P M took in the steering sails & it blew fresh

[illegible]ences with a light breeze from [illegible] steering South by West [illegible] saw another of the [illegible] islands

[illegible]rk on the rigging

Ship Miles of Warren Capt W C Young

July 1839

Tuesday 9th commences with a light breeze from the Northeast steering W S E all hands employed breaking out below decks

Wednesday 10th commences with a fresh breeze from the North steering W S E watch employed at work on the rigging, & several other sundry jobs

Thursday 11th commences with a light breeze from the Northeast steering S S E, watch at work about the rigging at 10 P M we the wind hauled the Eastward & we took in the steering sails & stood on the wind

Friday 12th commences with a light breeze from the North steering S by E, all at work on the rigging 3 sail in sight P M it was squaly & rainy

Saturday 13th commences with a fresh breeze [illegible] North steering South by E [illegible] frequent rain P M it [illegible] lowered our boat [illegible]

Sunday 14th commences with [illegible] breeze from all [illegible] & the rain fell [illegible] the topgallant sail [illegible] times, we saw [illegible]

Ship Mills of Warren Capt W. Young

Monday 15th 1839 commences with a fresh breeze from the Southwest steering by the wind all hands at work on the rigging saw one sail

Tuesday 16th commences with a fine breeze from the Southwest steering by the wind all hands at work on the rigging P.M. it was squaly & rainy the Capt went below & I followed suit

Wednesday 17th commences with a fresh breeze from the South steering by the wind watch employed at work on the rigging one sail in sight lat 5 :: 38

Thursday 18th commences with a fresh breeze from the South steering by the wind, at 3 P.M we took in the topgallant sails lat 4 :: 13 P.M. we set the topgallant sails

[illegible] 19th commences with a fine breeze from the South steering by the wind one sail in sight all hands at work on rigging

[illegible]ces with a light breeze from the [illegible]ing by the wind lat 2 :: 12

[illegible]ces with a fine breeze from the [illegible]ing by the wind, 1 sail in sight

[illegible]ces with a light breeze [illegible] the east steering S South-

[illegible]nds on deck because we have got-

Journal of Barren Capt W. Young

June ~~24~~ 1839

I do hope to splice & serve but that is nothing to what it is to ~~have~~ be deprived of a friend & ledger which affords pleasure unspeakable that is to say to eat. (P.E.) lat 1:: 30. South

Tuesday 25 commences with a fine breeze from the Southeast steering S.S.West all hands ~~out~~ in decks ~~at the~~ at work on the rigging & painting the boats one sail in sight

Wednesday 26 commences with a fresh breeze from the South & E steering by the wind at Sunrise — S.S.E. variable Capt opened his heart & gave us a half hour watch below — ah he is noble indeed, yes a real wine cost Chiroster lat 5:: 50

Thursday 25th commences with a fresh breeze from the Southward steering by the wind watch employed at work on the rigging & a few other Sundry jobs about the Ship

Friday 26th commences with a fresh [illegible] Southeast steering by the wind [illegible] Westward watch employed [illegible] grinding harpooning lat [illegible]

Saturday 27th commences with [illegible] southeast steering [illegible] at daylight we took in [illegible] at 7 o'clock two of our men got a fight [illegible] them & kept them on deck all day [illegible]

Journal of Mirren Capt W C Young

July 28th 1839

[illegible] commences with a fresh breeze from the Southeast steering to the southeast with the wind [illegible] employed [illegible] a large [illegible] at sea [illegible] reading

Monday 29th [illegible] commences with a light breeze from the southeast steering by the wind with employed at work on about the rigging at 3 [illegible] it was squally [illegible] we had [illegible] the topgallant sails lat 13 [illegible]

Tuesday 30th commences with a fresh breeze from the southeast steering by the wind [illegible] employed making chaskets [illegible] other sundry jobs [illegible] 28

Wednesday 31st first commences with a fine breeze from the southeast steering to the southwest with at work on the rigging [illegible] it was squally [illegible] we took in the topgallant sails

August the first 1839

Thursday commences with a light breeze from the East steering South East with employed making chaskets lat 21 [illegible] 52

[illegible] commences with a fresh breeze from East steering S E East with employed [illegible] work on the rigging lat 23 [illegible] 47

[illegible] commences with a fine breeze from the [illegible] steering South & East at daylight [illegible] topgallant steering sails [illegible] 5 [illegible] 47

[illegible] commences with a fresh breeze from the [illegible] steering [illegible] 16 [illegible] 55

Journal of a Voyage in Japan Capt William Graves

[illegible]

[illegible]

Sunday 5th Commences with a light breeze from the Southeast steering by the wind all hands at work Letting up rigging

Thursday 7th Commences with a light breeze from the South steering East & E with at work about the rigging lat 32 : 25

Thursday 8th Commences with a fresh breeze from the Southeast steering South E & South, we have caught a whale 53 : 20 which employed us at the rigging & we had a fine breeze from the westward & so ends this long & lonesome day

Friday 9th Commences with a light breeze from the Southwest steering E & E, which employed us at work on the mainsail making it smaller

Saturday 10th Commences with a fine breeze from the South steering E & E, this day is devoted to washing at ten clock we hauled up & we took in topgallantsails, & [illegible]

Sunday 11th Commences with a gale from [illegible] steering S E by E & we double [illegible] & at daylight we reefed the Courses [illegible] sail in sight

Monday 12th commences with a fresh ga[illegible] steering S E by E, at daylight [illegible] topgallantsail & struck the [illegible]

Tuesday 13th Com gale Continues at daylight [illegible] sail & double reefed the main[illegible] at 10 o'clock we close reefed the topsails [illegible] & at noon we took in the fore & mizen topsails steering

Ship Miles of Marion Capt H[illegible]

August

Tuesday 4th gale continued [illegible] Southwest steering
S E by E at 2 in the morning it was
very squally & rainy & we shipped considerable
water & the old ship has had 24 hours below
[illegible] 2 hr days
at 2 P M we set the foretopsail & mainsail
Thursday 15th gale continued from the Westward with
frequent squalls & hail & rain steering S & E
lat 35 30 long 24 22
[illegible] the morning [illegible] from S E
to S E by E [illegible] light [illegible] set single reef
topsails & [illegible] the reef out of the topsails.
in the afternoon it was calm & clear [illegible] the topsails for fear
at sunset we took in all sail but the close reef main topsail &
foresail & it blew a real gale
Saturday 17th [illegible] commences with a light breeze from the
Southwest steering S by E at 7 o clock we
made all sail at 10 o clock we took in the main
topgallant sail & double reef the topsails
Sunday 18th gale continued from the Southwest steering
S E by E at daylight it was squally & raining [illegible]
[illegible] 8 o clock the wind moderated we made all sail
[illegible] we had a light breeze from the
[illegible]west steering S E by E watch at work
[illegible] bout the rigging long 11 15 lat 36
[illegible] we had a fine breeze from the South
[illegible] at work on the rigging
[illegible] Lat 35 [illegible]
[illegible] we [illegible] a porpoise
[illegible] lat 35 [illegible]

Ship Niles of Nantucket Capt W. C. Coffin
August the 21st to 31st 1847

Wednesday 21st Commences with a fresh breeze from the Northwest steering S. E. at 7 o'clock A.M. we took in the main topgallant sail & double reefed the topsails & reefed the courses & we had very heavy squalls & we took in all sail but close reefed main topsail & foresail & set them several times & we set the fore & mizzen topsails 12 :: 11 lat. 3 :: 4

Thursday 22nd Commences with a fresh breeze from the Westward steering E. by S. at daylight we made all sail at 5 o'clock the wind increased to a gale & we double reefed the topsails

Friday 23d gale continued from the Northwest steering S. E. by E. at 12 o'clock we close reefed the topsails & took in the mizzen topsail

Saturday 24th the gale continued & we set the mizzen topsail & main sail steering E. by S. at 2 P.M. we set single reefed topsails & main topsail & steered East lat 30 :: 45 long 25 :: 45

Sunday 25th Commences with a light breeze from the Northwest steering East & all hands employed in drying sails thick weather lat 35 :: 30 28 :: [illegible]

Monday 26th Commences with a light breeze Northeast & thick weather steering [illegible] the Eastward at 12 o'clock it was [illegible] Westward & we took in all sail [illegible] main topsail & foresail [illegible] at 4 P.M. we set several [illegible]

Tuesday 27th the wind moderate & we made [illegible] E. by S. E. at 12 [illegible] weather employed at work [illegible]

Ship Niles of Nantucket Capt. Mc

1847

Wednesday 1st Commences with a light breeze from the N.W. steering by the ~~wind~~ wind to the Eastward watch employed at work at sundry jobs about the ship lat 33 & lon 35 41

Thursday 2d Commences with a light breeze from the N.E steering by the wind to the westward watch employed at work about the rigging at 9 P.M. we single reefed our topsails

Friday 3d Commences with a fresh breeze from the N.E steering by the wind to the Eastward spoke Ship Liverpool of New Bedford 1700 barrels 15 months out we went on board of her & there Capt came on board of us & we gave them some potatoes & onions

Saturday 4th Commences with a light breeze from the N.E steering by the wind to the Eastward we turned our boats down & put the craft in their

Sunday

September the first Commences with a light breeze from the N.E & pleasant weather steering by the wind to the Eastward at 12 M. thick weather & some rain so ends this day

[illegible] Commences with a light breeze from [illegible] as usual & thick weather steering to [illegible] Eastward, all hands employed [illegible] work about the ship, we sent up [illegible] fore & mizen topgallant yards &c [illegible] 40 W lat 33 37

[illegible] commences as usual with the wind [illegible] & thick weather steering [illegible] the Eastward under all sail watch employed at work about the ship [illegible] weather for the first time [illegible] this day

Wednesday 4th September, 1833

Commences with a fresh breeze from the S.W. at 4 P.M. E. watch employed at different jobs about the Ship at one o'clock Reef we took in the topgallant sails. Last for the wind shifted to the North, & we had it squaly with constant lightning & double reefed the topsails

Thursday 5th Commences with a fresh breeze from the North & at daylight we had all sail on her, steering by the wind to the Eastward at 4 P.M. we had a squall & we took in & double reefed the topsails & at sunset it was calm & we made all sail again

Friday 6th Commences with a light breeze from the S.W. steering E by S. Employed at work about the boats & picking oakum

Saturday 7th Commences with a light breeze from the Southwest steering E.S.E. at daylight we sent up steering sails & boms & set the steering sails lat 30 :: 12 long 40 :: 30

Sunday 8th Commences with pleasant weather & a fresh breeze from the W.S.W. steering E.S.E. with all sail set at 12 o'clock the wind veered to the Southward & we took in the steering sails at sunset it was [illegible] weather long 49 :: 41 lat 29 :: 20

Monday 9th Commences with a fresh bree[illegible] S.E. steering E by S [illegible] sending up the [illegible] rigging lat 28 :: 15 long 31 [illegible]

Tuesday 10th Commences with a li[illegible] Eastward & pleasant weather [illegible] to the both watch employed [illegible] on sail lat 26 :: 15 long 34 [illegible]

Ship Mills of Marion Capt W L Towns

September 1859

Wednesday 11th Commences with a light breeze from the Eastward & pleasant weather steering to the North. at 7 o'clock P.M. the wind increased & we took in the light sails & double reefed the topsails

Thursday 12th Commences with a fresh breeze from the Southeast steering S S E, at daylight we made all sail & at 7 A.M. our foolish Mayor thought he must do something, & so he raised a Sperm whale but it proved to be a jumper, & that is about a fair specimen of his labour, & the last fleeg a portuguese sailor for drawing his knife at a man, so ends this days lat 15 long 53 12

Friday 13th Commences with a fresh breeze from the Eastward steering S E by E at midnight we set the mainsail steering S E & saw one sail lat 14 : 48 long 53 : 0

Saturday 14th Commences with a fresh breeze from the Southeast steering S E & E with pleasant weather lat 16 : 52 long 52 : 21

Sunday 15th Commences with a light breeze from the Southeast & pleasant weather steering at 5 P.M. lat 16 : 12 long 51 : 21

all hands have worked for him all day & we were much [illegible] that he cannot eat their supper

[illegible] sunset we made the island of Madagascar & then steered S E for [illegible] the coast

[illegible] commences with a fresh breeze from the [illegible] steering to the [illegible] along the coast [illegible] 11 : 33 lat 12 : 11 [illegible] we doubled [illegible] steered [illegible] for [illegible] of the mast, under [illegible] sending up the mainmast & [illegible] the [illegible] yards

Ship Mills of Marion Capt. N. Coggs

September 1807

Tuesday [illegible] with a light breeze from the
Eastward & pleasant weather Observing
Lat 10 N by West at daylight we saw the Island
of Tapia about 2½ miles from us
it was boundingly except in the Centre & that
thick wood, all hands employed breaking
out for meat & flags &c lat 12°10' long 47°15'
in the afternoon Calm & Clear

Wednesday 16th Commences with a light breeze from the
Southeast steering West, at noon it was Calm
& continued so through the day lat 12°3' long 47°2'
at 4 P.M. we saw a shoal of Sperm whales &
lowered without success, at 3 o'clock we saw
the island of Johannah

Thursday 18th Commences with a light breeze from the
West all hands employed Clearing the
anchors & getting up the Chains at 2 o'clock we
Came to anchor at the island of Johannah

Friday 19th Commences with a light breeze from the
E we watch on liberty & the other
getting water

Saturday 20th Commences with a ligh
one watch on liberty
Stowing down water a
unfitted anchor & made
to the South with a light

Sunday 21st Commences with
from the S.S.W. steady
wind, all hands employed
the Chains & anchors away &c

Ship Niles of Nantucket Capt W C [illegible]

Sept 1853

[illegible] 22nd Commences with a light breeze from the [illegible] at 5 [illegible] commence [illegible] with our crew watching below in the night & one in the day the watches on deck are employed bending sails & making nets to put [illegible] in

Tuesday 23d Commences with a light breeze from the North steering to the N. watches employed mending & bending sails, & times are rather hard, for we have got some hands [illegible] sail, therefore [illegible] cause a [illegible] in our stomachs, lat. 1 in 55

Thursday 24th Commences with a fine breeze from the Southeast & pleasant weather steering to the North [illegible] employed [illegible] sail & bending the fore topsail at sunset [illegible] in the morning & single reefed the topsails

Friday 25th Commences with a fresh breeze from the Southeast at daylight we set the main sail & [illegible] the reefs out of the topsails

[illegible] watches [illegible]

[illegible] 26th [illegible] at sunset stow it in again as usual

[illegible] commences with a fine breeze from the [illegible] at daylight made sail & steered [illegible] at sunset took in sail again

[illegible] long 26 21 commences with a fine [illegible] from the Southeast made sail at daylight steering Northwest

[illegible] commences with a fine breeze from the [illegible] weather [illegible] made sail at daylight [illegible] watches [illegible] at noon [illegible] sail [illegible] the fourth month, as did the first

Ship Wills of Warren Capt. Jeffries

October the first [illegible]

Commences with a light [illegible]
& pleasant weather made sail at
daylight & stood on the wind to the Eastward
at took in sail as usual long [illegible]
lat [illegible]

Wednesday 2nd Commences with a light breeze from the S.E.
made all sail at daylight & stood [illegible] East
lat [illegible] long [illegible] at noon took in sail

Thursday 3d Commences with fine weather, at daylight hauled
all sails made sail & washed off decks as usual
we saw various kinds of fish but none of them
were the right kind so ends this day in disgust
lat 2 [illegible]

Friday 4th Commences with fine breezes from the S.E.
& pleasant weather all hands employed [illegible]
cut for bait in the forenoon [illegible] afternoon
we made a shift to kill rats [illegible]
[illegible]

Saturday 5th Commences with fine weather & light
breeze from the East & we stood [illegible]
until 12 o'clock & then we put out the [illegible]
we found 5 dead rats

Sunday 6th Commences with a fine breeze from the S.E.
& pleasant weather made all sail [illegible]
& washed off decks as usual & stood
westward

Monday 7th Commences with a pleasant
breeze from the Southward made
sail & stood to the westward at [illegible] o'clock
of Orabia we were about 12 [illegible]
we saw at the same time & [illegible]
& then tacked & stood [illegible] Eastward
long [illegible] at noon [illegible]
[illegible] Hyacinths

It appears to be low land
& sandy

Ship [illegible] from Capt [illegible] Course

October [illegible] 1855

Commences with [illegible] breeze from the Southward [illegible] Eastward [illegible] all hands employed in washing Cocanuts shells at 10 o'clock we lowered a boat & caught a bonnish & fetched him on board;

Wednesday 17th Commences with a light breeze from the Eastward steering to the Westward, at 10 o'clock we lowered for blackfish whitthout success bonnish watches employed trying out the blubber of our blackfish or

Thursday 18th Commences with a light breeze from the Southeast steering by the wind, lat 3 : 42 long 4 : 51 in [illegible] & clear

Friday 19th Commences with a light breeze from the Southward steering [illegible] Eastward, all hands employed [illegible]

Saturday 20th Commences with a fine breeze & good weather all hands employed scrubbing & washing lat 2 : 10

Sunday 21st Commences with fine weather [illegible] light breeze [illegible] Southeast steering [illegible] Eastward, at daylight we washed [illegible] long 35 : 51 lat 2 : 5

[illegible] Commences with pleasant weather & many [illegible] things, amongst the rest a plenty [illegible] birds all around the ship [illegible] eggs in her [illegible] the sun rose in the east & the porpuses rose all around as usual, & all things proceeded thus through the day

Journal of the Ship Capt H Clark
October 1838

Eastward all hands employed as usual
doing about the decks & a scrimshoning when they can't sleep
we are in the long 52:23 as for what lattitude we
are in I dont know, but I think we are in the
fin back zone,

Wednesday 17th Commences with pleasant weather & a
light breeze from the south steering East
watches employed at work on the rigging, long 54:11

Friday 18th; Commences with a light breeze from
the southwest steering East & E, at daylight we
saw a shoal of sperm whales & lowered & chased
them untill 12 o'clock & then came on board
& got breakfast & then lowered again with the
same success as before, so ends this day in hopes of
another one, lat 1:50 long 54:28 —

Saturday 19th Commences with a light breeze from
S W & steering S S E, — 55:31 lat 2:39
the second mate was dissatisfied with his boat
because he was stern boat & the Capt gave him a new boat

Sunday 20th Commences with a light breeze from the
S S E steering to the S S E at 11 o'clock we saw
Grampuses & the Capt called them sperm whales
& lowered the boats but lost sight of them & came on
board at one o'clock, lat 3:55 long 56:51

Monday 21st light winds & fogy weather
I have nothing of importance to note
long 56:29 lat 3:51

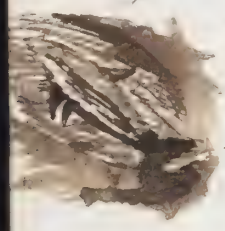
Tuesday 22nd Commences with a light breeze from
the S W & S W steering to westward at sunrise we
caught a porpoise, at 7 o'clock we saw blackfish
& lowered without success

Ship Miles of Nassau Capt. H. Coggins

October 1839

Wednesday 23d [illegible] from the N.E. West steering to the Westward saw blackfish & lowered & chased them & returned on board as usual. at 3 o'clock we lowered again for blackfish & after much exertion & hard labour we struck a Cowfish & saved a part of him & the Sharks took the remainder

Thursday 24th Commences with fine weather & calm at one o'clock we saw breach about 10 miles off & we lowered pulled untill sunset but saw nothing but jumpers we then came on board & so ends this day with boiling blood



Friday 25th Commences with a light breeze [illegible] steering to the South, lat 35 saw nothing but porpoises at 2 o'clock

Saturday 26th Commences with a fine breeze from the Westward steering to the South

Sunday 27th Commences with a fine weather & fine breeze from the westward steering to the South at 10 o'clock we had it squaly & we took in topgallant sails lat 35 saw

Monday 28th Commences with a fresh breeze from the W.S.W. & squaly steering to the South at 2 o'clock P.M. we raised a sail to our great joy & at sunset we spoke her & it proved to be the Brig Sarah Louisa of New Bedford 15 months out 280 sp[illegible] we hope we shall see another 15 months at an end of the same we intend us, or at least be ready to return home

Ship Miles of Warren Capt H Co

Tuesday 29th 1837

Commences with a light breeze from the South steering to the westward, at 4 o'clock saw a sperm whale, lowered again & pursued the sperm lat 1:25

Wednesday 30th commences with a calm weather & clear long 57:52 lat 1:50

Thursday 31st commences & ends in rain

Friday the first of November commences with fine weather & clear & a light breeze from the westward steering to the South, all hands employed breaking out our meat & cooping it & stowing it down lat 2:11

Saturday 2nd commences with a fine breeze from the W.S.W. steering to the S.E. ward, all hands fishing, but nothing doing but washing & mending & ends the day in despair, lat 2:22

Sunday 3 commences with fine weather & the wind [illegible] Westward, the day ends hopeless with nothing but [illegible] fish lat 2 Feb. [illegible]

Monday 4th commences with a fresh breeze from the Northwest steering to the southwest, another day is gone & no fish, yet I fear the whole month will go in the like manner, but there is still a faint hope, lon [illegible] at 1:16 o'clock we had a squal with rain, we took in topgallant

Tuesday 5th commences with squally weather at daylight we set them again long 57:[illegible] lat 1:[illegible]

Thoughts Miles of America. [illegible]

[illegible] Left [illegible]

Wednesday [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 58 :: 32 lat 1 :: 1

Thursday 7th Friday 8th & Saturday 9th fine weather & a fine breeze from the Southwest

Sunday 10th & Monday 11th Calm & clear all hands well, lat 2 :: 7 Tuesday & Wednesday we had a fine breeze from the North, Wednesday all hands employed hoisting our head upon deck, & Coopering it, & Stowing it down aft, long 56 :: 32

Thursday 14th Commency yes: & it ended also [illegible] 59 :: 2 lat [illegible]

Saturday 16th Sunday 17th we had good weather, Fa with a fine breeze from the North Nothing doing except Nothing long 51 :: 42 lat 2 South

Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th we had a light breeze from the North Wednesday 20th Calm & Clear, Thursday 21st Friday 22nd Calm & Clear. all hands are beginning to be homesick: for the want of grease. lat 2 :: 16 Saturday 23d in the fore part we had it Calm, at 2 o'clock we had a breeze from the Northeast Steering to the Northwest lat 2 :: 4 Sunday 24th & Monday 25th we had a good breeze from the Eastward Steering to the S.S.W. lat 2 :: 32 :

[illegible] Thursday 28th we had [illegible]

Friday and Saturday 30th we had a fine breeze [illegible] the Southeast steering to the westward. nothing [illegible] Six [illegible] long 44 :: 2

Journal of Barzan Capt Hot[illegible]

[illegible] 1830

[illegible] light winds, [illegible] Do
[illegible] Providence for long months, [illegible]
[illegible] for
not received anything yet. I [illegible] Delesline
will bring us up ([illegible]). lat [illegible] long 19 : 12
Wednesday and Tuesday 3d Wednesday [illegible]
we had [illegible] light breeze from the East
[illegible]
[illegible]
but good luck would have it [illegible] my poor body
pretty hot work for that lat. long 42 : 52
Thursday 5th light wind from the E. East
Friday 6 commences with a fine breeze
[illegible] the Eastward [illegible] Westward
at 12 [illegible] we saw a school [illegible] mates
and lowered our boats killed two [illegible]
alongside Saturday [illegible] we lost in the mates
commenced trying at one [illegible]
lat 37 : 19 long 40 : 25 [illegible] 18 barrels
Sunday 8th Calm and [illegible] 3 18 barrels
all hands employed boiling out the Bluber
at 9 o'clock we finished it Monday 9th
we had pleasant weather as usual at daylight
we saw the Continent of Africa [illegible]
to the South Tuesday 10th we had a light breeze
of wind from the Eastward steering [illegible]
lat 5 [illegible] Wednesday 11th commences with a
light breeze from the Eastward at sunrise we
[illegible] a school of Spermaceti whales [illegible]
boats [illegible] for them until 8 [illegible]
[illegible] got their fast [illegible]
[illegible] them until 2 o'clock [illegible] on
long 40 44 lat 5 : 31

[illegible] of Warren Captain [illegible]

December 12th [illegible] 1855

commences with a fine breeze from the South East [illegible] to the [illegible]west [illegible] hands employed

stowing down the oil & that is all [illegible] at 5 o'clock we

chased a Shoal of Sperm [illegible] [illegible] without success Friday 13th we had a strong

breeze from the [illegible] at 5 P.M. we [illegible] whale

[illegible] our [illegible] [illegible] sails [illegible]

[illegible] 3 [illegible]

[illegible] breeze from [illegible] we cut in [illegible]

whales & commenced boiling

[illegible] commences with a [illegible] breeze

[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] hands [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] 16th at daylight we [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] hands

[illegible] stowing down oil

Wednesday 18th commences with [illegible] breeze

[illegible] all hands employed

stowing down [illegible] under double

reef topsails [illegible]

[illegible] we [illegible] breeze from the [illegible]

[illegible] the wind under double reef

topsails [illegible] all hands setting up

rigging

[illegible] 20th we had a fresh gale from the Northeast

[illegible] we saw the island of Zanzibar & were within

[illegible] miles of it. It's a fine looking

place at a distance but not [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 21st commences with a fresh breeze

[illegible] northeast [illegible] [illegible]

Ship Alice of Salem Capt. [illegible]

December [illegible] 1837

Sunday 22nd [illegible]

[illegible] Island of Peruba [illegible]

[illegible] they got 3 hundred [illegible]

[illegible] they could not see [illegible]

Monday 23 at daylight we were [illegible] but at

ten o'clock it blew a gale & [illegible]

[illegible] the sea & Oregon but 5 [illegible]

Tuesday 24th [illegible] wind [illegible]

[illegible] East

Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday & Sunday

[illegible] we had a fresh [illegible]

[illegible] Sunday we had a [illegible]

[illegible] Northwest. At 11 o'clock we

[illegible] Island of Peruba again [illegible]

[illegible] southward lat 5 [illegible]

Monday 30th [illegible] under [illegible]

[illegible] of Sperm [illegible]

[illegible] one

Tuesday 31st [illegible]

Ship Hillsby Morrill Capt. Left

January 1st 1860

[illegible]

[illegible] we sail fast, but its wearing on my [illegible] still [illegible] I am glad that 5 years in this Climate will wear me quite up to the end for we have [illegible] of wind & the most of the time [illegible] 5 p. 12

Thursday [illegible] with [illegible] breeze from the Southward [illegible] the same kind of weather we [illegible] yesterday steering [illegible] Southward [illegible] with fine weather [illegible] sight in little Children [illegible] that is [illegible] and all of our officers are employed at their trades as shipwrights the [illegible] Carpenter [illegible] Cooper [illegible] business

Friday 5th Commences with pleasant weather [illegible] breeze [illegible] at noon we [illegible] regular

Saturday Commences with fine weather [illegible] Calm at 4 o'clock [illegible] light breeze from the East & we saw a shoal of Sp whales [illegible] without success

Sunday 7th Commences with fine weather [illegible] we set all sail & stood to the [illegible] at 2 o'clock we saw a shoal of Sp whales [illegible] we lost [illegible] after them [illegible] the waist boat got fast to a big but soon got loose again & in the meantime 2 whales came up under the starboard

Sail Miles of Warren Capt. H. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] boat & stove & we picked them up & all the things belonging to her & carried them on board & then chased them untill sunset with our usual success.

Sunday this day with a heavy loss

Wednesday 8th Commences with a fresh breeze from the Eastward steering different courses we were doubtful of [illegible] & about sunset we saw the Isle of Cerulia & then steered South all hands employed from daylight untill Dark stowing the piece of our stowed boat we had carried on board [illegible] her at [illegible]

Thursday 9th & Friday 10th we had a fresh breeze from the Eastward & were out of sight from the Isle of Cerulia our Ships are growing but we are going [illegible] & know not what this voyage [illegible] will be a lesson to me

Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th we [illegible] breeze [illegible] is still in sight, this day [illegible] & again we hopes it will [illegible] us good luck

Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th we had fine weather & [illegible] our Chief business is building Ships & killing [illegible]

Tuesday & Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th & Friday 17th

Saturday 18th. Calm and Clear times are brisk [illegible]

Sunday 19th & Monday [illegible] we [illegible] the East & Sunday we [illegible]

Thursday 21st [illegible] 22 [illegible] a gale from the East [illegible] were under double reef topsails

Friday 24th Commences with a fresh [illegible] East [illegible] day [illegible] we saw a shoal [illegible] & saw a shoal [illegible] & [illegible] too & but we lost them both with [illegible] & [illegible] & then came on board with [illegible]

Ship Willis of Hull Capt [illegible] Days

[illegible]

[illegible] East [illegible] Commences with pleasant weather

[illegible] fresh breeze all hands employed [illegible]

[illegible] fresh breeze. Sunday 28th [illegible]

[illegible] we had a light breeze

& pleasant weather with [illegible] employed at

work on the rigging. [illegible]

Monday [illegible] we had fair weather & clear with [illegible] employed

at work on board about the rigging & sails and

[illegible] not a [illegible] bank fortune. Here's time

enough & ships enough, & I'd like to get out

of this hole with my fortune [illegible]

Saturday

[illegible]

Sunday [illegible]

at 2 o'clock we saw a shoal of black

whales & lowered with our boats and killed

[illegible] on board at Sunset

lat 5 N 17 long 42 W 40

Monday & Tuesday 6th [illegible] a [illegible] breeze

[illegible] & the [illegible]

[illegible] employed making [illegible]

lat [illegible] long 42 W 15

Wednesday 5 [illegible] commences with fine weather

[illegible] with pleasant weather

[illegible] & latter part was calm

[illegible] commences with [illegible]

[illegible] sent down the mizen topsail & sent

[illegible] & commences unrendering the old one

Ship Hills of Warren Capt [illegible]

[illegible] at 2 o'clock it became squally
& rainy at 4 o'clock we double reefed the topsails
the rain falling down in torrents 3 seconds big drops
[illegible] frequently morning for we are
not [illegible] for 6 days [illegible]

[illegible] Westward steering to the East
[illegible]

Sunday 8th. Continued [illegible] with a fine breeze
Westward steering different Courses at 7 P.M.
we made the Isle of Alderbra lat 9.28 Long 53

Monday 9th. Continued [illegible] with cloudy weather
a fresh breeze from the Westward
we [illegible] & could see no land [illegible]
of all places that ever I was in this place
for we were so lost that we could scarcely get
on board of the ship with our 28 turpin

Tuesday 10th. Thursday 13th. Steering [illegible]
at the Isle of Alderbra [illegible]
[illegible]

Wednesday 15th. [illegible]
breeze from the East [illegible]
[illegible]

Thursday 16th. [illegible]

Friday 17th. [illegible]

Saturday 18th. [illegible]

[illegible] we [illegible] Commander
dropped our anchor & furled our sails,
& we commenced filling our water
casks. I learn that the Saturday
we have now got all of our water aboard
& several things else, that we can get here
(which is but little) all on board.
Capt Lewis invited all the nobility of the
place to come on board, & dine with him
which they willingly did but they could not
eat our victuals, therefore we gave them
some materials to make victuals of. They
cooked it, also they fetched all their instruments
of music, it had a regular Burroon.
At the end of the dance we had Berry Fruit
on shore, we then weighed anchor & made
sail & stood to sea through the night
we had it squally with much rain
but notwithstanding the squalls & rain
we are glad to get clear of the
Mahometans once more & never wish
to see them again.
Sunday 8th squally & rainy weather Continue
all hands employed stowing the casks
& cleaning & washing out for water
& then I went & piped the rest men
ashore & stowed them below;
but thank fortune we are all thriving
yet

Journal of Warren Cast. Th[illegible]
Capt. Chas. F. Hall

All today wish if we could get been
good ship to have on all hands house
the the more was wonderingly by Dol sagreable
Cow, mind that of these days to note Christmas
da we etc. but it is not proper it is only for a
few years.

Wednesday 11th moderate and fine weather
at 7 o clock in saw a sail, this morning time we
could think of nothing to do so as to keep all hands
so when he had done his Breakfast he came on
deck & cried out sperm whale, let us lower
our boats & we lowered down & pulled about
eight miles for nothing we to satisfy the clamo
ugly disposition of them came on board.
at 12 o clock we sent a boat on the sail which we
saw which proved to be a dow from Zanzibar
bound to Cancar with about 200 souls on board
in the state of Slave trade they had lost a man
we gave them a barrel of water & some bread
& rice, lat 11:11 N. Island is in sight
Thursday 12th we had fine weather a light
breeze from the Northeast all hands employed
at work about decks

Friday 13th all hands employed as usual Cooper
[illegible] about the decks Pegging

Saturday 14th fine weather, this day allowed
to us to mend & wash long 41:17 lat 5:50
Sunday 15th [illegible]
[illegible]

Ship Mary of Marion Capt [illegible]

Wednesday 18th Commence with a fine breeze & pleasant weather at daylight we saw land at 12 o'clock we saw the Continent of africa; we also saw many Islands

Thursday 19th Commence with a light breeze from the N.E. East [illegible]

Friday 20th Commence with calm weather & clear [illegible] at 2 o'clock we were close to a little Island [illegible] we lowered our boats & towed the ship for the space of two hours. [illegible]

Saturday 21st [illegible] pleasant weather [illegible] light breeze from [illegible] in sight

Sunday 22nd Commence with pleasant weather & an easterly [illegible] at 4 o'clock [illegible] we had a light breeze from the N.E. [illegible] at 5 and [illegible] at 17 [illegible] we caught 2 porpoises

[illegible] pleasant weather [illegible] we had a [illegible] & [illegible] got [illegible] got them along side at sunset

[illegible] Oct 2 12 hr

Journal of Mr. Ellis Left Hull

[illegible]

Sunday [illegible] Thus [illegible] commenced Cutting & finished at Breakfast time & then commenced Boiling & at Eleven o'clock we finished Boiling

Wednesday 25th Comes with Calm & rainy weather at daylight we warped off docks, & by [illegible] we got out of our good Success & if fortune deeps not frown on us I think we shall get home in the Course of 3 Years, or so; long 4 3:1d lat 3:24

Thursday 26th & Friday 27th we had fine weather & Cutting all hands laying about decks & taking Comfort &c. lat 3:1 26

Saturday 28th Comes with fine weather & light breze from the Eastward steering [illegible] at daylight we Discovered a Strange sail [illegible] lat 3:1 16 lat 3:1 4

Sunday 29th Comes [illegible] & [illegible] the Same

Monday 30th Comes with fine weather & Strong with a light breze from the Eastward long 2 & lat 2:57

Tuesday 31st Comes [illegible] weather at one o'clock we Discovered a Shoal of Whales & lowered our boats & killed [illegible] & Dressed [illegible] & returned about Sunset & then we set for [illegible] & flour & then we went to Sleep

long 4 4-33
lat 2:57

[illegible]

Ship Pallas of Nantucket Capt N. Coffin

Tuesday April 28 1840

Fair weather at daylight we hooked on to the whale & cut him in, in the mean time we saw a shoal of whales & lowered without success & then we commenced boiling

Wednesday 29th Fair weather at daylight we finished boiling & washed off decks

Thursday 30th Fair with light winds & weather at 2 noon we saw a spout in 45 miles off & lowered our boats & pulled 8 or ten miles & at 2 of the clock came on board long dark

Saturday 4th Came with light winds & fair weather at 2 noon we saw a whale & lowered our boats & pulled fast to it but we soon lost it the later we cut from after dinner & we went off shooting birds long 165 lat 2°25

Sunday 5th Fair with fine weather at daylight lat 2°35 we commenced cutting in the whales head at 8 o'clock we finished cutting & commenced boiling

Monday 6th Came with fair weather at daylight we finished boiling & washed the decks

long 165 lat 3°30

[illegible] Marion Capt. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] we let our [illegible]
[illegible] we dressed 3 [illegible]
spouting blood [illegible] 3:25

Wednesday 8th Commd. [illegible] at daylight
we let them [illegible] commenced
boiling lat 3:[illegible] long 45:[illegible]

Thursday 9th All hands employed boiling we saw
some [illegible] spouting
[illegible] over boats at [illegible]
finished boiling lat 3:30

Friday 10th Commd. with pleasant weather
all hands at ease, after our [illegible]
long 45:10 lat

~~Saturday 11th Commd.~~ with pleasant weather
at daylight we commenced stowing
down oil, lat 2:57 lat-long [illegible]

Sunday 12th Commd. with pleasant weather all hands
employed boiling out horse blubber
when we first came out we gave us
Saturday to wash & mend [illegible]
he could have nothing [illegible]
long 45:2 [illegible]
lat 2:11 [illegible]
[illegible]
to do that they must do it in
watch below, but [illegible]
half as quick as possible, & let me get
[illegible] place & then I'll bid them

Log of Willis of Hazzon Capt H. Long

Wed 28th

Thursday 29th

Saturday 30th

[illegible]

[illegible] Old Indian Corn in abundance. Pitch from Palate well; Yet the prospects brighten
~~If the~~ Sun still shines in the horrid place
but there is things which I cannot describe
2c. it

[illegible]

out of his mind at these lat equal [illegible]
goes there he will get ~~to~~ scared even to death
~~[illegible]~~ lat 44 Miles South long 56 ii 43

[illegible]

[illegible]

Monday [illegible]

[illegible]

Wednesday 10th [illegible]

Thursday 11th Cape with [illegible] weather

[illegible] for we had nothing [illegible] but [illegible]

soups, [illegible] rather to make people sick, [illegible]

[illegible] made [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] eating any [illegible] but [illegible] a little life in them. [illegible]

The Stewards make soup of them [illegible]

thought they were dead a month ago

more, [illegible]

Friday 5th Saturday 6th Sunday 7th [illegible]

[illegible] East [illegible]

[illegible]

Will Probate of Hannah Cafell

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] finished [illegible]

Wednesday [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Lat [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Brig

Thursday 2[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] weather

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] wind [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Friday 2[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the

[illegible] all [illegible] that [illegible]

at sunset [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Lat 3[illegible] 30

Saturday 2[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] the wind [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]

Sunday [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this [illegible]

Monday [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] 1846

[illegible]

[illegible] Saturday [illegible]

[illegible] thousand eggs, before [illegible]

[illegible] like a [illegible]

[illegible] Island; they [illegible]

[illegible]; it

[illegible] on it

[illegible]

its called Bird Island, well named [illegible]

[illegible] as there

[illegible] Birds, at [illegible] o'clock we [illegible]

[illegible] eggs & [illegible] eat

two dozen, they are equally as good as hens eggs & about as large; [illegible] if I dont grow fat I shall give it up

[illegible] 7th [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] thousand

[illegible]

[illegible] Best

[illegible]

lat 3 [illegible] long: 55 [illegible] 23

Tuesday 9th [illegible]

Wednesday [illegible]

Thursday 11th [illegible] Eastward steering to the Southward watch employed at work on the [illegible] Mizen topmast stay [illegible] lat 3 [illegible] 38

Friday 12th [illegible] at 3 o'clock [illegible] Clock [illegible] 26 Bools

Saturday 13th [illegible] at 2 o'clock [illegible] lat 3 [illegible] 52

[illegible]

[illegible]

Sunday [illegible]

[illegible]

Monday [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] all hands employed [illegible]

down [illegible] 20 Barrls

lat 4::26 [illegible] long 58::38 in the afternoon

all hands employed Sleeping or mending

Wednesday 17th Com with Calm weather & Clear

watch employed fitting our Bobstays

& set them up again, at 2 o'clock we some

rain still Calm but Cloudy lat 4::25

Thursday 18th Com with Calm weather & Clear

watch employed fitting our standing rigging

lat 4::43 long 59::24 So ends this day

with peaceable times & Cheerful minds

with all except our Cooper & he is sick with the rheumatism

Friday 19th Com with thick weather & a light

[illegible]

[illegible] thick

lat 5::2 long 59::[illegible]

[illegible]

at [illegible] o'clock we double reefed the topsails

& it rained as fast as possible at

Sunset we took in the fore & mizen topsails

[Sun]day 21st Com with thick weather & we set

the fore & mizen topsail & at four o'clock

[illegible] single topsails & Course

lat 6::[illegible]

Log Book of the Mellen Capt. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] lat [illegible]

[illegible] Brees [illegible] East, the other [illegible] S. W. Clearing lat [illegible]

Wednesday the 24 my dear wife at a time again with whales but got none of them pulling and sweat but all in vain for they were like wild fire bugs or some such cattle flying so fire neither but Bulls was from me poor wandering slaves

long 52 [illegible] 25

Thursday 25th Comes with fine weather & a light breze steering to the Southwest

wind [illegible] as usual on the Old Mares Ship long 52 [illegible] lat 9 [illegible]

Friday 26 [illegible] a light breze & [illegible] this day I was [illegible] & [illegible] by Curious dreams, [illegible] with [illegible] as to believe we dreams

long [illegible]

Saturday 27 [illegible] a light breze & [illegible]

Sunday 28th [illegible] fine weather [illegible] pleasant as [illegible] and [illegible] as [illegible] long [illegible]

Monday 29th Comes with a gentle breze from [illegible] at daylight we saw the Isle of Madagascar, at 10 o'clock it was [illegible] at 4 O'Clock it was [illegible]

Tuesday [illegible] to the Westward at 10 o'clock we saw the [illegible]

lat [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Thursday 30 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 8th Came with a fine breeze & pleasant weather at day light we saw the land and [illegible] which we supposed the [illegible] at [illegible] we then tacked

[illegible]

[illegible] Thermometer Hannah & Mahala
Herrinshoning & Carried on Perfection [illegible]
[illegible] down with equally pleasant weather the Lonora
[illegible] still [illegible]
Friday 18th down with pleasant weather at
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
pick to travel the streets which are about 3 feet deep
I went ashore & staged 3 hours & was glad to get on board
the Barque Palestine has been here 8 months out 400 barrels of
[illegible]
off a raft of weather & stormed [illegible] we
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Saturday 25th

Sunday 26th

[illegible]

[illegible] pleasant Cruise to the Isle of Sunda
from there home with a full Ship;
the Johanna prophet is a true one; for he
told my fortune & it was a better one than
have ever got witnessed; however time
will determine.

Tuesday 28th Commence with pleasant weather steering off
lat 21°.19 long 45°.17. this day we commenced
our old employment scrubbing & shrinking with new
vigor; this day we killed our bullock Veat him

Wednesday 29th Commence with pleasant weather
& a fine breeze from the Southward &
lat 18°.52 steering off W.N.W. shrinking
[illegible] most complete manner; usual

Thursday 30th Commence with pleasant weather & a fresh
breeze [illegible] steering
[illegible] all employed as usual
we still drag heavily along, but we
still trust in the Johanna prophet; we
[illegible] commence with a fresh breeze steering
off West all hands shrinking
as usual at 12 o'clock we knocked off
[illegible] hunts for sperm whales
[illegible] we dare not get away
[illegible] we [illegible] see
[illegible] whatever

Ship Hillsborough Capt. W. Powers
August the first AD 1846

Saturday — Comm with pleasant weather
& a light breeze steering W. by S.
lat 7:: 21 — this hour long tom raised some hump
long 40:: 31 — & called them sperm whales &
he being a favourite of the Captains
the boats were lowered but we soon found
out what they were, & then came on board
Sunday 2nd Comm with fine breeze from the Southward
steering different courses this day
lat 6:: 00 — we made the Isle of Cemba &
long 40:: 16 — about 40 miles distance, from up
Monday 3d Comm with squaly weather we double
reefed the topsails several times & shook
them out again lat 5:: 7 long 40:: 30
Tuesday 4th Comm with a fresh gale from the
Southward steering to the Eastward under
lat 4:: 00 — double reefed topsails & courses
Wednesday 5th Comm with a fresh gale
lat 3:: 35 — all hands serimshoning as usual
Thursday 6th Comm with a light breeze
& rugged weather all hands employed
serimshoning, we are geting to be
quite expert at the business
Friday 7th Comm with pleasant weather
lat 3:: 34 long 41:: 15
Saturday & Sunday 8th we had fine weather
& a fresh gale, standing on the
to the Eastward under double re
topsails, tolerable times, except a
grumbling betwixt the Cook & all h
lat 2:: 52 long 45:: 12

Ship Mills of Marion: Capt. [illegible]

August 1846

Monday 10th & Tuesday 11th we had fine weather for scrimshoning steering to the East

lat 1°:52 the day as I was lying in my berth there

long 46°:52 was a terrible alarm given, which Caused me to bolt but I like to have lost the top of my head & when I got on deck there was nothing but a humpback a loptailing I then went below so mad that I could not get to sleep

Wednesday 12th Comm with a fresh breeze steering E by East

Thursday 13th & Friday 14th we had a fresh Breeze steering North East

lat 24 miles N thursday we were employed breaking

long 46°:49 out in the fore hole between decks for iron hoops, we Caught a porpoise

Saturday 15th Comm with pleasant weather steering E by S East lat 1°:3 long 47°:28

Sunday 16th Comm with pleasant weather

Monday 17th Comm with the same steering E by East lat 2°:20 long 47°:25

Tuesday & Wednesday 18th we had fine weather & a fresh Breeze from the S W

lat 4°:35 steering E by East all hands employed scrimshoning as usual long 50°:30

Thursday & friday 21st we had a severe gale from the Southwest lying too under Close reef topsails; but we stick to scrimsh yet, to tell the truth we hardly look for a whale we are gaining ground fast on the scrimshoning line lat 5°:57 long 5[illegible]

Log of the Ship Mermon Capt W C Powers
August 22nd 1846

Com with a gale as usual, at 12 o'clock we raised the Continent of Africa lat 7°:19 long 5°:17

Sunday 23d gale Continued we stood off shore until daylight we then tacked & stood in shore under Close reef topsails at sunset we were within 8 miles of the land we tacked & stood off shore lat 8:38

Monday 24th Com with a fresh gale we stood in shore & made the land & then stood off & on lat 8°:55" long 51°:16

Tuesday 25th The gale Continued but much more severe. we saw the Eastern point of Africa & then stood off under Close reef main topsail & reef foresail lat 10°:30 we saw plenty of whales all day

Wednesday 26th Gale Continued at 12 o'clock we made the land about four miles from us we then sounded & stood off & on lat 11°:55 25 fathoms we bent a new main topsail & likewise a fore one, we passed along the coast & doubled Cape Gardafeair.
I have heard tell of the awful appearance of the desert of Arabia. but they Cannot think equal this this place in its awful appearance

Thursday 27 Com with pleasant weather lat 12°:21 all hands the fore topsail & foresail. at one o'clock we saw a school of sperm whales, & we lowered our boats & got two & got them along side & cut one in

Oct 1°:12 Oct 3°:12

Ship Mills of Mattan Capt [illegible]

A.D. 1840

Friday 28th Come with a fresh breeze
daylight we finished cutting [illegible]
& commenced boiling [illegible]

Saturday 29th we had fine weather steering
to the Eastward at 6 o'clock P.M. we
finished Boiling & took in the Lights

Sunday 30th blowing a living gale of wind standing
on the wind to the Eastward under Close
reef topsails & reef Course this day we
split the Bob jibb & sent it in & mended
it & bent it again, we dont stand for [illegible]

Monday 31st we had Calm weather but a
very heavy swell all hands employed
stowing down our mite which was
40 Barels lat 14 :: 16

Tuesday A.D. 1840

the first of September Commences
with a fresh breeze & smokey weather
watches employed mending sails lat 15 :: 47

Wednesday 2nd Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th
we were employed mending sails
&c lat 17 :: 8 long 26 :: 43 Wednesday
we saw the Coast of Africa about 30 miles

Saturday 5th Commences with a fresh
breeze steering W East lat 17 :: 25
this days all hands employed breaking out
fore & aft for Sea & twine which
is not to be found in the Ship
Now I think I shall join the Cold
water society at least [illegible]
[illegible] more [illegible]